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Chair of the Transportation Committee

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City Council Honolulu, hawaii

Dear Sir:

I am Lennard J. Pepper, a member of NB18 which serves Aliamanu, Salt Lake, and Foster Village.

I am strongly in support of the amendment to the CIP which will provide funds for the design and construction of the remaining segment of Salt Lake Blvd. This work has been delayed for over thirty years, the latest delay occurring because completion was to be done in conjunction with the Salt Lake Blvd. route for mass transit. With that route having been changed, there is currently no funding for completion of the project which has already been delayed for about thirty years.

Needless to say, there has been considerable residential development in the area in the last thirty years requiring additional roadways. In addition, Salt lake Blvd. serves as an access route to Aloha Stadium and several shopping areas, and serves as an alternate route to and from West Oahu in case of traffic jams and emergencies along the Moanalua Road and H-1 thoroughfares.

Currently, Salt Lake Blvd. serves these function inefficiently. The incomplete segment sometimes is a bottleneck, and is always dangerous. Completion of this project will be of considerable benefit to the people of the area and, in fact to all West Oahu

Sincerely, Lennard J. Pepper 1352 Olino St. Honolulu, Hi 96818 (808) 422-1189

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